

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CIAM SPACE MODELS WORLD CUP 2024

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There were scheduled 12 Space Models World Cup events in 10 countries in America, Asia and Europe registered to the FAI Contest Calendar 2024 – Space Models. Due to the continuing geopolitical situation, some traditional organizers are still not able to organize the competitions, mostly Euro-Asian region. At two World Cups in USA, several classes were canceled due low attendance, mostly classes S7 and S8P were neither registered to the Contest Calendar nor flown. Other two competitions in the same region were either postponed or didn't meet the requirements for World Cup contest in one case. Traditionally, most of the organizers were very correct in preparing and sending results lists and reports within the next days, so the current placing lists could be posted on time. A small delay occurred after the tragical passing of the World Cup Coordinator, Andrija Ducak, but the quick introduction of the new Coordinator, Dragan Jevtic, helped to prepare all documents and CPL's on time, so the rest of the season was managed without delays.

A total of around thousand competitors from 21 countries (from which 9 were also organizing at least one SM World Cup event) from America and Europe participated in the 2024 Space Models World Cup season. A detailed list of participating countries in alphabetical order can be found below:

Bulgaria (1), Canada, **Czechia (1)**, Croatia, Estonia, Germany, Great Britain, **Latvia (1)**, Lithuania, **Poland (1)**, Romania, **Serbia (1)**, **Slovakia (2)**, **Slovenia (1)**, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine, **USA (4)**, Uzbekistan, **Kazachstan (1)**. **Bold** are countries that also were the organizers of the SM World Cup events and the number of organized World Cup events in the country is set in ().

Overview table of SM World Cup competitions held in 2024:

No.	Date	Name of the competition	Location	Country
1	01. - 03.03.	2024 Arizona CUP	Tucson	USA
2	27. - 28.04	Kaspichan 2024	Kaspichan	BUL
3	24. - 26.05	Dubnica May Cup 2004	Partizanske	SVK
4	07. - 09.06	CAN-AM Cup 2024	Muncie	USA
5	28. - 30.06	Liepaja Cup 2024	Liepaja	LAT
6	12. - 14.07	Bardejov Space Cup 2024	Bardejov	SVK
7	02. - 02.08	North Coast Cup	Pueblo, Colorado	USA
8	29. - 30.08	Sirmium Cup 2024	Zrenjanin	SRB
9	06. - 08.09.	Galactic Cup 2024	Muncie	USA
10	14. - 17.09.	Korkyt Ata Cup 2024	Baikonur	KAZ
11	21. - 22.09.	Tessin Olza Cup 2024	Milikov-Vrchpole	CZE
12	04. - 06.10.	44rd Ljubljana Cup	Ljubljana	SLO

* The striked through indicate the canceled/postponed World Cup competitions.

Complete tables with allocated points for all sportsmen having at least one official flight are available in electronic form at the dedicated FAI Web site <https://www.fai.org/world-cups/space-models> or via

<https://www.fai.org/ciam-documents> under S-SPACE MODELS - World Cup → 2024 → Results, Reports and Bulletins. Final results were distributed to all FAI SM lists and lists of WCup organizers.

CONCLUSION: The number of World Cup went a bit back as prior year. The number of World Cups returned to the standard, if we consider the fact the several “strongly visited” competitions were not held. The total numbers of competitors in classes S4A, S6A and S9A compared to the past can be considered in long terms stable. The “king” classes S7 and S8P remained with a stable number of competitors due their complexity as well the number of cups held. This shows the attractiveness of these two classes and that rule changes adopted in 2021 attracted people, especially juniors, to enter and fly these classes. Traditionally, Space Models World Cups still stays the main and most effective way to promote this kind of sport.

TABLES WITH REVIEW OF TEN BEST SPORTSMEN PER SPACE MODELS WORLD CUP CLASSES 2024

CLASS S4A – BOOST GLIDER DURATION

Plac.	Name	FAI ID	NAC	J/S	Total
1	HORNÁK Peter	171392	SVK	S	408,6
2	ŽITNAN JR. Michal	24587	SVK	S	405,7
3	BOLFA Simon	70786	SVK	S	402,7
4	BAUR Martin	140846	SVK	J	396,0
5	KUCKA Milan	69098	CZE	S	381,6
6	JEVTIC Branislav	140555	SRB	J	371,6
7	VASILEV Stefan H.	16180	BUL	S	353,3
8	STRUZMAN Rodion	102184	UKR	S	346,6
9	SIMEONOV Todor S.	131689	BUL	J	343,7
10	YORDANOV Plamen B.	16229	BUL	S	340,8

Total: 165 competitors

CLASS S6A – STREAMER DURATION

Plac.	Name	FAI ID	NAC	J/S	Total
1	HORNÁK Peter	171392	SVK	S	395,3
2	BAUR Andrej	140845	SVK	J	387,2
3	BOLFA Simon	70786	SVK	S	378,8
4	BAUR Martin	140846	SVK	J	361,4
5	ŽITNAN Michal	24594	SVK	S	360,5
6	ŽITNAN JR. Michal	24587	SVK	S	356,5
7	JEVTIC Branislav	140555	SRB	J	339,7
8	MATEOVÁ Klaudia	132065	SVK	J	331,4
9	O'BRYAN David	139302	USA	S	326,8
10	SIMEONOV Todor S.	131689	BUL	J	310,7

Total: 215 competitors

CLASS S7 – SCALE MODELS

Plac.	Name	FAI ID	NAC	J/S	Total
1	VACHKOV Dimitar V.	16106	BUL	S	336,7
2	KUCKA Milan	69098	CZE	S	322,8
3	VASILEV Stefan H.	16180	BUL	S	315,7
4	GNASS Fritz	16306	CAN	S	285,5
5	STOPA Jan	82806	CZE	S	264,8
6	PAVKA Bedrich	30503	CZE	S	235,9
7	STIRBA Petr	62270	CZE	S	230,3
8	STEELE Matt	68200	USA	S	218,3
9	KRISTAL Steve	68195	USA	S	192,7
10	PAVKOVÁ Rosálie	168727	CZE	J	179,5

Total: 59 competitors

CLASS S8P – RC ROCKET GLIDER PRECISION LANDING

Plac.	Name	FAI ID	NAC	J/S	Total
1	BOLFA Simon	70786	SVK	S	351,1
2	TODOROV Angel Ts.	16136	BUL	S	340,7
3	KICURA Rastislav	24603	SVK	S	336,6
4	MATUŠKA Peter	24592	SVK	S	301,3
5	PEYCHEV Nikolay I.	15985	BUL	S	292,4
6	BAUR Andrej	140845	SVK	J	223,1
7	CHEKH Olexsandr	91880	UKR	S	219,8
8	GALKO Denis	70885	SVK	S	190,9
9	STIRBA Petr	62270	CZE	S	188,3
10	KUCKA Milan	69098	CZE	S	166,0

Total: 32 competitors

CLASS S9A – GYROCOPTER DURATION

Plac.	Name	FAI ID	NAC	J/S	Total
1	ŽITNAN JR. Michal	24587	SVK	S	401,3
2	BAUR Andrej	140845	SVK	J	379,1
3	SLAVCHEVA Stela A.	163243	BUL	S	367,5
4	SAVOV Valentin H.	15934	BUL	S	365,0
5	JEVTIC Branislav	140555	SRB	J	363,5
6	PAVKA Bedrich	30503	CZE	S	359,6
7	BAUR Martin	140846	SVK	J	340,6
8	PAVKOVÁ Rosálie	168727	CZE	J	320,3
9	PAVLJUK Vasil	24542	SVK	S	320,0
10	SIMEONOV Todor S.	131689	BUL	J	314,7

Total: 150 competitors

MEDALS TABLE PER COUNTRY PER SPACE MODELS WORLD CUP 2024

Plac.	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Slovakia	4	3	3	10
2	Bulgaria	1	1	2	4
3	Czech Republic		1		1
Sum :		5	5	5	15